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Date: August 28, 2001

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Filed:

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3605 Highway 52 North

Title:

**BACKPLANE POWER** 

Rochester, MN 55901

**DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM** 

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Box Non-Fee Amendment Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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**BACKPLANE POWER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM** 

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**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE DRAWINGS AND SUBMISSION OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

The drawings submitted herewith are in response to the Examiner's Communication mailed June 28, 2001, and, subject to the approval of the Examiner, should be entered in the above noted application since they comply with 37 CFR 1.81 and otherwise render the application capable of being examined.

Applicants amend the drawings as follows:

#### IN THE DRAWINGS:

#### Figure 1

Please extend the pointers from reference numbers 18b and 18h as indicated.

Please delete the circles and extensions from layer 14hi as indicated.

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Figure 2

Please insert a rectangular block with a lead line to a reference numeral 28, as

shown.

Figure 3

Please insert a rectangular block with a lead line to a reference numeral 28, as

shown.

Figure 4

Please insert and extend the edges of the powerplane 40 so the lower right-hand

portion of the figure is not cut off.

Please delete the black shading from the impedance variations 42 at the left third

of the page and at the far load locations 22 towards the top of the page, without

disclaimer or prejudice.

Please insert lead lines from the reference numeral 20 to the holes on powerplane

as indicated.

Please insert lead lines from the reference numeral 22 to the holes on powerplane

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